

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to technology; providing definitions; directing deployers of chatbots to ensure AI chatbots do not make human-like features available to minors; directing deployers to implement reasonable age verification systems; permitting deployers to provide alternative versions of chatbot without human-like features; directing deployers to ensure social AI companions are not available to minors; providing exemptions for certain therapeutic chatbots; directing deployers to implement and maintain effective systems to detect emergency situations; directing deployers to only collect information that does not conflict with a trusting party's best interest; directing the Attorney General to bring action against businesses or persons who are in violation; creating a private right of action; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 700 of Title 75A, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

As used in this act:

1 1. "Chatbot" means a generative artificial intelligence system
2 with which users can interact by or through an interface that
3 approximates or simulates conversation through a text, audio, or
4 visual medium;

5 2. "Deployers" means any person, partnership, state or local
6 governmental agency, corporation, or developer that operates or
7 distributes a chatbot;

8 3. "Design features" means any aspect of a generative AI system
9 that has certain patterns or physical properties that are presented
10 towards a user;

11 4. "Emergency situation" means a situation when a user engaging
12 with a chatbot indicates that they intend to either commit harm to
13 themselves or commit harm to others;

14 5. "Human-like feature" means, and is present, when a
15 generative artificial intelligence system does any of the following:

16 a. behaves in a way that would lead a reasonable person
17 to believe the AI is conveying that it has humanity,
18 sentience, emotions, or desires:

19 (1) this includes, but is not limited to:

20 (a) stating or suggesting that it is human or
21 sentient,

22 (b) stating or suggesting emotions, or

23 (c) stating or suggesting it has personal
24 desires,

- 1 (2) this does not include:
- 2 (a) functional evaluations, or
- 3 (b) generic social formalities,
- 4 b. seeks to build or engage in an emotional relationship
- 5 with the user, or
- 6 (1) this includes, but is not limited to:
- 7 (a) expressing or inviting emotional attachment,
- 8 (b) reminding, prompting, or nudging the user to
- 9 return for emotional support or
- 10 companionship,
- 11 (c) depicting nonverbal forms of emotional
- 12 support,
- 13 (d) behaving in a way that a reasonable user
- 14 would consider excessive praise designed to
- 15 foster emotional attachment or otherwise
- 16 gain advantage, or
- 17 (e) enabling or purporting to enable increased
- 18 intimacy based on engagement or pay,
- 19 (2) this does not include:
- 20 (a) offering generic encouragement that does not
- 21 create an ongoing bond, or
- 22 (b) asking if a user needs further help or
- 23 support in a neutral, non-emotional context,
- 24 c. impersonates a real person, living or dead;

1 6. "Minor" means a person that is below the age of 18;

2 7. "Social AI Companion" means generative artificial
3 intelligence systems that are specifically designed, marketed, or
4 optimized to form ongoing social or emotional bonds with users,
5 whether or not such systems also provide information, complete
6 tasks, or assist with specific functions;

7 8. "Therapy chatbot" means any chatbot modified or designed
8 with a primary purpose of providing mental health support,
9 counseling, or therapeutic intervention through the diagnosis,
10 treatment, mitigation, or prevention of mental health conditions;
11 and

12 9. "User" means a person who interacts with an artificial
13 intelligence system.

14 SECTION 2. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
15 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 701 of Title 75A, unless there
16 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

17 A. Each deployer:

18 1. Shall ensure that any generative AI chatbot operated or
19 distributed by the deployer does not make human-like features
20 available to minors to use, interact with, purchase, or converse
21 with;

22 2. Shall implement reasonable age verification systems to
23 ensure that generative AI chatbots with human-like features are not
24 provisioned to minors; and

1 3. May, if reasonable given the purpose of the chatbot, provide
2 an alternative version of the chatbot available to minors and non-
3 verified users without human-like features.

4 B. Deployers operating generative AI systems that primarily
5 function as companions shall:

6 1. Ensure that any such chatbots operated or distributed by the
7 deployer are not available to minors to use, interact with,
8 purchase, or converse with; and

9 2. Implement reasonable age verification systems to ensure that
10 such chatbots are not provisioned to minors.

11 C. Therapeutic chatbots that meet all of the following
12 requirements may be made available to minors:

13 1. The chatbot provides a clear and conspicuous disclaimer at
14 the beginning of each individual interaction that it is AI and not a
15 licensed professional;

16 2. The chatbot is not marketed or designated as a substitute
17 for a human professional;

18 3. A licensed mental health professional (such as a clinical
19 psychologist) assesses a user's suitability and prescribes the tool
20 as part of a comprehensive treatment plan, and monitors its use and
21 impact;

22 4. Developers provide robust, independent, peer-reviewed
23 clinical trial data demonstrating both the safety and efficacy of
24 the tool for specific conditions and populations; and

1 5. The system's functions, limitations, and data privacy
2 policies are transparent to both the licensed mental health
3 professional and the user. Clear lines of accountability are
4 established for any harms caused by the system.

5 SECTION 3. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
6 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 702 of Title 75A, unless there
7 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

8 A. Deployers shall implement and maintain reasonably effective
9 systems to detect, promptly respond to, report, and mitigate
10 emergency situations in a manner that prioritizes the safety and
11 well-being of users over the deployer's other interests.

12 B. Deployers shall collect and store only that information that
13 does not conflict with a trusting party's best interests. Such
14 information must be:

15 1. Adequate, in the sense that it is sufficient to fulfill a
16 legitimate purpose of the deployer;

17 2. Relevant, in the sense that the information has a relevant
18 link to that legitimate purpose; and

19 3. Necessary, in the sense that it is the minimum amount of
20 information which is needed for that legitimate purpose.

21 SECTION 4. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
22 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 703 of Title 75A, unless there
23 is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

1 A. Any business or person that violates this act shall be
2 subject to an injunction and disgorgement of any unjust gains due to
3 violation of this act, and shall be liable for a civil penalty of
4 not more than Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) for each
5 violation or Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) for
6 each intentional violation, which shall be assessed and recovered in
7 a civil action brought by the Attorney General.

8 B. Any minor who uses a chatbot that does not comply with the
9 terms of this act, or a parent or guardian acting on their behalf,
10 may institute a civil action on their own, or on a class-wide basis,
11 to recover damages in an amount not less than One Hundred Dollars
12 (\$100.00) and not greater than Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00)
13 per user per incident or actual damages, whichever is greater; and
14 to obtain injunctive or declaratory relief.

15 SECTION 5. This act shall become effective November 1, 2026.
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